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COUNTY OFFICERS.

Commissioners.

GORDON BURLEIGH, Franklin.
JAMES B. TENNANT, Short Falls, Epsom.
JOHN C. PEARSON, Clerk, Penacook.

Treasurer.

GEORGE P. LITTLE, Pembroke.

Solicitor.

EDWARD G. LEACH, Franklin.

Sheriff.

WILLIAM K. NORTON, Concord.

Clerk of Supreme Court.

A. J. SHURTLEFF, Concord.

Judge of Probate.

Hon. ARTHUR W. SILSBY, Concord.

Register of Probate.

JOHN P. NUTTER, Concord.

Register of Deeds.

CHARLES H. ORDWAY, Concord.

Auditors.

CHARLES R. CORNING, Concord.
ROBERT C. CARR, Andover.

Superintendent of Farm.

MILTON B. NEAL, North Boscawen.

Chaplain.

Rev. JOHN CHAMBERLAIN, Northfield.

Physicians.

Dr. A. C. ALEXANDER, Almshouse, Penacook.
Dr. J. H. GALLINGER, Jail, Concord.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORT.

In compliance with the General Laws for this State, we herewith submit the annual report of Merrimack county, showing its financial condition and matters of public interest, together with the reports of other county officers, as required by law.

The actual debt of the county May 1, 1885, as shown by the treasurer's report, is $81,000.

There has been paid during the year, $5,000 on bonds matured; and $4,482.50 interest on the outstanding bonds; together with all other charges found to be payable by the county, and the handsome balance of $11,056.93 is still remaining in the treasury.

Orders drawn and paid on farm account from May 1, 1884, to May 1, 1885,	$12,133.66
On pauper account away from farm,	20,027.55
New Hampshire Asylum for Insane,	2,610.94
State Industrial School sentenced scholars,	530.46
Jail, including repairs,	4,432.79
Court account,	7,323.71
Referees' account,	255.41
Bonds matured,	5,000.00
Interest,	4,482.50
Court house and county offices,	2,657.49
Services and expenses of county officers,	2,482.86
Indexing—completed,	47.50
Miscellaneous,	592.96

To the orders drawn and paid on farm account, should be added $1,200 for 400 cords of wood burned, which was on hand, paid for, and inventoried May 1, 1884, making the total farm expense, $13,333.66.

From this sum should be deducted $929.49 received for products of the farm sold for cash, and paid by the superintendent into the county treasury; $589.06 expended on the steam heating apparatus, which is a *permanent improvement*, and one which it has been demonstrated during the past winter *will pay;* and $1,139.72 invested in flour, grain, provision, groceries, &c., now on hand in excess of the amount on hand May 1, 1884; also, $29.45 overcharges on bills rendered; and we find the *actual* farm expense to be $10,645.94; and the cost of board of inmates, including clothing, medical attendance &c., to be $2.15 1-2 each, per week. Number of weeks' board furnished 4937.

The operation of the pauper law passed June session, 1883, has added a large number to the list of those who have been aided at their homes, and away from the farm. More than 800 persons have received aid in this manner at an expense of $20,027.55.

There have been during the year, 18 different persons at the New Hampshire Asylum for the Insane, whose expenses have been paid wholly or in part by the county, the whole amounting to $2,610.94.

There have been 8 different boys at the State Industrial School, sent there by the courts and for whom $530.46 has been paid out of the county treasury; giving the sum of $23,168.95 as the amount expended for support of paupers away from the farm; and $36,502.61 as the sum paid on account of the poor and needy ones among us.

No interest has been charged for the amount invested in farm, stock, tools, &c., as we have preferred to give the amount of cash paid out. The sum of $589.06 has been paid in improving the steam apparatus, and as there was no perceptible difference in the melting of the snow at any time over the pipe between the boiler house and main building—the loss of heat has been remedied between these two points. We had the advice of Mr. Theophilus Blake, a gentleman who has had much practical experience in using steam for warming buildings. We tender him our thanks for his services. The farm and buildings are in good condition.

Two terms of school have been taught, one by Miss Lizzie M. Choate, and one by Miss Hattie F. Howser. The scholars are now attending the district town school.

Milton B. Neal and wife, superintendent and matron, Dr. A. C. Alexander, physician and surgeon, and Rev. John Chamberlain, chaplain, have been in service at the farm during the year.

GORDON BURLEIGH,
JAMES B. TENNANT,
JOHN C. PEARSON,
County Commissioners.

Concord, May 1, 1885.

SUMMARY OF INVENTORY OF PERSONAL PROPERTY AT COUNTY FARM, MAY 1, 1885.

Live stock, as per schedule,	$2,096.50
Farming and mechanics' tools,	1,585.12
Farm produce,	1,223.55
Groceries and provisions,	957.68
Fuel,	2,282.25
Standing wood on Colby lot,	167.00
Ice,	50.00
Furniture and bedding,	3,147.99
Dry goods and clothing,	842.28
Crockery, iron, tin, glass and wooden ware,	346.58
Miscellaneous,	330.70
	$13,029.65

TREASURER'S REPORT.

In compliance with the General Laws, the following statement of the receipts and expenditures of Merrimack County, for the year ending May 1, 1885, is respectfully submitted:

RECEIPTS.

Balance from report, May 1, 1883,	$11,849.37
COUNTY TAXES.	
County Tax of Allenstown,	$1,574.39
Andover,	1,165.05
Boscawen,	1,609.81
Bow,	940.70
Bradford,	987.93
Canterbury,	1,220.15
Chichester,	688.80
Concord,	24,965.89
Danbury,	598.27
Dunbarton,	1,039.10
Epsom,	787.19
Franklln,	4,483.08
Henniker,	1,546.84
Hill,	417.21
Hooksett,	1,625.55
Hopkinton,	2,436.37
Loudon,	1,393.34
Newbury,	621.88
New London,	905.27
Northfield,	1,015.48
Pembroke,	3,022.83
Pittsfield,	2,078.19
Salisbury,	763.58
Sutton,	834.43
Warner,	1,849.91
Webster,	775.39
Wilmot,	653.37
Total amount assessed,	$60,000.00

FARM.

Received of—

M. B. Neal, superintendent, as per commissioners' report, 1884,	$618.72
M. B. Neal, oxen sold,	350.00
	$968.72

FINES.

A. J. Shurtleff, county clerk,	$141.19
" "	534.73
	$675.92

MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS.

C. G. Blanchard, error in bill,	$ .20
Statton, Merrill & Co., error in account,	29.25
Gordon Burleigh, paupers away from farm,	13.00
" " " "	13.00
" " " "	13.00
" " " "	13.00
John Hanson, account of aid rendered him Aug. 1884,	2.00
Town of Andover, aid to Benj. R. Stewart,	57.30
	$140.75

EXPENDITURES.

FARM EXPENSES.

Paid as follows:—

Brown & Foote, groceries and dry goods,	$11.57
Isaac P. Sargent, grinding meal,	5.45
W. B. Cunningham, meat,	21.25
J. F. Hoit, groceries,	80.39
W. W. Briggs, brooms,	11.00
C. E. Ames, services as nurse,	25.00
Bradley Fertilizer Co., superphosphate,	257.56
Lincoln & Shaw, clothing,	20.60
Gordon Burleigh, fares paid,	12.65
Warren Tripp, oxen,	197.00
Geo. H. Moore, boots aod shoes,	26.35

Mosely & Co., flour,	$64.00
Norris & Crockett, crackers, &c.,	18.48
Johnson & Son, meal,	27.00
C. G. Blanchard, dry goods,	21.26
Briggs & Shattuck, groceries,	48.37
W. P. Underhill & Co., drugs and medicine,	2.10
W. D. Colby Call. taxes in Boscawen,	137.96
J. H. Rowell, tin ware,	2.75
Batchelder & Co., groceries,	68.51
E. R. Marston, services as nurse,	37.00
M. B. Neal and wife, salary as supt. and matron,	166.66
E. T. Wright, services,	26.00
Edmund Lougee, care of insane inmates,	31.50
Minnie Bingham, services,	16.00
L. G. Roberts, services,	45.00
A. B. Chute and wife, services,	66.66
Calvin D. Battis, labor,	29.37
Mary W. Corser, services,	36.00
Myron W. Ray, services,	75.00
Lizzie M. Choate, services,	24.00
Ervin E. Annis, labor,	25.00
John Chamberlain, salary as chaplain,	50.00
James McLeod, labor,	5.00
F. P. Morse, express,	11.50
M. S. Ayer & Co., groceries,	34.20
Johnson & Son, meal,	27.00
H. A. Tuttle, hats and caps,	12.90
M. L. Hall & Co., groceries,	80.89
H. D. Smith, soap,	33.00
M. B. Cunningham, meat,	136.21
C. G. Blanchard, dry goods,	26.22
Northern railroad, freight,	4.82
Thompson & Bethune, hardware,	7.00
Shaw, Jackson & Ahern, clothing,	20.12
Woodworth, Dodge & Co., groceries,	44.40
Brown & Foote, dry goods and groceries,	97.85
Norris & Crockett, crackers,	18.36
Clark & Haynes, repairs on steam works,	8.92

Leach & Barnard, insurance,	$18.75
Pearson & Pattee, newspapers,	3.00
John Seavey, grinding meal,	1.65
F. P. Morse, agent, express, &c.,	7.05
Nathaniel Bradley, fish,	7.28
B. S. Hancock, seed corn,	6.22
A. T. Burleigh, farmers boilers,	75.00
A. C. Alexander, medical attendance on inmates,	100.00
Northern railroad, freight,	52.74
Batchelder & Co., groceries,	42.65
Norris & Crockett, crackers,	35.88
Woodworth, Dodge & Co., groceries,	16.50
C. H. Fowler, merchandise,	15.95
W. B. Cummings, meat,	165.63
G. H. Moore, boots and shoes,	18.23
C. G. Blanchard, dry goods,	53.17
Stratton, Merrill & Co., flour and meal,	230.88
Calvin W. Symonds, labor,	27.50
Ervin E. Annis, labor,	3.00
H. S. Annis, blacksmithing,	6.67
E. T. Pevare, eggs,	1.95
A. R. Ayers, crockery,	2.20
J. K. Putney, beef,	9.60
C. W. Carter, potatoes,	13.30
F. P. Morse, agent, express,	7.45
Edmund Lougee, care of insane inmates,	25.00
Northern railroad, freight,	1.73
John Chadwick, horse hire,	2.00
Brown & Foote, dry goods and groceries,	23.06
A. C. Chadwick, lumber,	156.00
H. Thompson, brooms,	6.97
T. Blake, services,	2.50
L. G. Roberts, services,	64.00
E. R. Marston, services as nurse,	75.00
H. S. Annis, blacksmithing,	7.86
C. J. Chadwick, repairing wagons,	4.75
Lizzie M. Choate, services,	42.00
Northern railroad, freight,	29.21

Mary Corser, services,	$54.00
F. P. Morse, agent, express,	2.25
Emma C. Randall, services,	27.00
Calvin D. Battis, labor,	8.75
Myron H. Ray, services,	120.00
Ed. McShane, shoeing horses,	4.55
Mary Choate, services,	28.00
C. C. Holmes, lumber, &c.,	25.76
A. B. Chute & wife, services,	100.00
M. B. Neal, salary as superintendent and matron,	250.00
Edmund Lougee, care of insane inmates,	75.00
John Ash, labor,	11.00
Rev. James Doldt, vinegar,	14.34
Stratton, Merrill & Co., grain,	55.25
W. H. Allen, dry goods,	14.87
Martin L. Hall & Co., groceries,	23.35
Woodworth, Dodge & Co., groceries,	48.63
A. G. Harris, boots and shoes,	35.02
Batchelder & Co., groceries,	47.89
W. B. Cunningham, meat,	56.56
Albert A. Moore, lightning rods,	102.00
John Chamberlain, salary as chaplain,	50.00
C. W. Carter, salt and eggs,	3.30
Ira S. Towle, cow,	45.00
Carroll D. Sayers, cows,	331.00
P. C. Clough, cheese,	7.80
John K. Putney, beef,	6.50
Northern railroad, freight,	13.47
Hollis Towne, eggs,	6.50
F. P. Morse, agent, express,	4.65
C. H. Martin & Co., potash, &c.,	8.60
Kendall & Roberts, steam fittings,	5.40
Richardson & Adams, clothing,	15.00
Foote & Morse, groceries,	9.50
Concord Cash Clothing Co., clothing,	78.00
Winnipiseogee Paper Co., fire brick,	5.00
A. C. Alexander, medical attendance,	100.00
" merchandise,	7.50

Mary Corser, services,	$10.00
Clark & Haynes, steam works,	465.95
T. W. Savory, mending boots and shoes,	3.20
Truesdell & Blodgett, clothing,	61.00
M. A. Fellows, labor,	26.25
B. W. Wilmot, expenses of supt. and commissioners,	10.00
Warren Holmes, fish,	5.00
Stratton, Merrill & Co., flour and grain,	324.62
M. L. Hall & Co., groceries,	42.51
Shaw, Jackson & Ahern, clothing,	11.50
Republican Press Association, newspapers,	3.00
Geo. H. Moore, boots and shoes,	16.83
Woodworth, Dodge & Co., groceries,	61.60
Batchelder & Co., groceries,	45.69
Norris & Crockett, crackers,	34.48
C. G. Blanchard, dry goods,	28.13
A. R. Ayers, crockery,	11.85
Johnson & Son, meal,	79.00
W. H. Bell, repairs on clocks,	5.25
Humphrey, Dodge & Smith, hardware,	62.51
A. T. Burleigh, horse rake,	30.00
W. B. Cunningham, meat,	131.18
Batchelder & Co., groceries,	17.30
Briggs & Shattuck, groceries,	46.19
Woodworth, Dodge & Co., groceries,	22.30
C. G. Blanchard, dry goods,	70.99
W. P. Underhill & Co., goods,	2.32
Stratton, Merrill & Co., flour and grain,	104.25
Geo. H. Moore, boots and shoes,	15.70
Shaw, Jackson & Ahern, clothing,	33.75
Brown & Foote, dry goods and groceries,	12.26
Scribner & Blood, stove and pipe,	18.65
C. G. Blanchard, dry goods,	31.12
Cummings Brothers, head-stones,	42.00
Brown & Foote, dry goods and groceries,	18.66
J. L. Pickering, stoves and pipe,	13.25
Batchelder & Co., groceries,	17.25
Norris & Crockett, crackers,	17.13

Charles A. Folsom, meadow hay,	$10.50
J. H. Boynton, hens,	2.50
E. R. Marston, services as nurse,	75.00
Emma C. Randall, services,	39.00
M. B. Neal and wife, salary as supt. and matron,	250.00
J. L. Crawford, hat,	1.50
F. P. Morse, express,	6.80
Northern railroad, freight,	9.87
F. W. Morrill and wife, services,	66.66
Myron H. Ray, services,	150.00
Lizzie M. Choate, services,	52.00
E. Lougee, care of insane inmates,	75.00
Miss L. J. Roberts, services,	65.00
Mary Corser, services,	54.00
John George, labor,	52.00
John Chamberlain, salary as chaplain,	50.00
Truesdell & Blodgett, clothing,	30.00
Manchester Broom and Brush Co., brooms,	8.68
M. L. Hall & Co., groceries,	17.67
F. W. Yeaton, clothing,	30.00
Johnson & Son, meal,	26.00
C. W. & A. W. Rolfe, lumber,	43.30
Concord Axle Co., stoves,	17.63
N. S. Gale, stove pipe,	2.25
John Chadwick, horse hire,	1.50
Clark & Haynes, repairs on steam works,	45.61
C. H. Fowler, merchandise,	13.30
A. C. Alexander, med. attendance and medicines,	104.00
Johnson & Son, meal,	48.00
E. B. Crapo, dry goods,	6.80
Alonzo Messer, spectacles,	5.60
Wm. F. Head, Ayrshire bull,	60.00
Geo. Colby, mending boots and shoes,	2.55
M. L. Hall & Co., groceries,	50.86
Moseley & Co., flour,	75.00
Frank P. Morse, express,	7.25
Northern railroad, freight,	4.55
Hattie F. Howser, teaching school,	30.00

C. J. Chadwick, making cider,	$13.65
Geo. P. Morrill, axes and helves,	8.91
H. S. Annis, blacksmithing,	9.97
W. P. Ford & Co., castings,	2.20
G. B. Emmons, meat,	20.23
A. G. Harris, boots and shoes,	28.26
Norris & Crockett, crackers,	18.60
Woodworth, Dow & Co., groceries,	45.53
Stratton, Merrill & Co., flour and grain,	525.75
Fisherville Saw Co., repairing saws,	2.25
C. G. Blanchard, dry goods,	42.77
F. P. Morse, express,	3.65
Northern railroad, freight,	11.03
Batchelder & Co., groceries,	17.20
Moseley & Co., flour,	52.50
John A. Coburn, coffins,	106.00
John Chamberlain, salary as chaplain,	20.00
D. J. Gilchrist, meat barrels,	7.00
C. Thorn & Son, boots and shoes,	5.75
Brown & Foote, dry goods and groceries,	143.95
Norris & Crockett, crackers,	16.36
Batchelder & Co., groceries,	6.06
Rufus Burleigh, boots and shoes,	35.57
C. G. Blanchard, dry goods,	34.79
Brown & Foote, dry goods and groceries,	26.57
Tilton Mills, cassimere,	23.62
W. P. Underhill & Co., drugs and medicines,	5.25
Emma C. Randall, services,	39.00
Myron H. Ray, services,	155.00
Frank M. Morrill and wife,	100.00
L. G. Roberts, services,	65.00
Edmund Lougee, care of insane,	25.00
John George, labor,	36.00
Mary W. Corser, services,	54 00
M. B. Neal and wife, salary as supt. and matron,	250.00
H. S. Annis, blacksmithing,	3.89
E. R. Marston, services as nurse,	75.00
Lizzie M. Choate. services,	51.00

Briggs & Shattuck, groceries,	$59.18
Shaw, Jackson & Ahern, clothing,	6.00
Batchelder & Co., groceries,	38.85
A. C. Alexander, medical attendance,	100.00
Stephen Little, beef,	24.67
John Chamberlain, salary,	30.00
Ed. McShane, blacksmithing,	4.10
Woodworth, Dow & Co., groceries,	123.05
C. H. Fowler, merchandise,	8.55
John C. Smith, shingles,	5.63
John F. Avery, mending boots and shoes,	3.80
W. W. Burleigh, valve grinder,	10.00
Northern railroad, freight,	11.91
Nathan Colby, oxen,	167.50
Mary W. Corser, services,	18.00
Geo. P. Morrill, axes, &c.,	3.75
John Seavey, grinding meal,	11.06
P. H. Jones, 4 gallons of maple syrup,	5.00
F. P. Morse, agent, express,	4.05
Lizzie M. Choate, services,	16.50
Edmund Lougee, care of insane,	25.00
M. B. Neal and wife, salary as supt. and matron,	83.33
M. H. Ray and wife, services,	51.66
E. P. Marston, labor,	25.00
A. H. Brown, groceries,	4.00
Miss L. G. Roberts, services,	21.60
C. W. Simonds, labor,	4.30
Frank W. Morrill, labor,	33.33
Stratton, Merrill & Co., meal, &c.,	26.50
Woodworth, Dow & Co., groceries,	6.87
Humphrey, Dodge & Smith, hardware,	36.23
J. A. Peaslee, keeping cow,	7.00
	$12,133.66

PAUPERS AWAY FROM FARM.

Chas. F. Annis, aid to James Powers,	$13.00
F. J. Aiken, medical attendance, co. poor, Pittsfield,	100.00
James B. Tennant, transportation,	12.68

Dorcas C. Wilder, aid to William Jackson,	$6.65
N. H. Orphans Home, aid to town children,	50.00
Darius Philbrick, carrying to farm,	3.00
J. N. Flood, aid to Kate Woods,	18.00
J. K. Putney, aid to Blanche Hosmer,	15.00
G. H. Larabee, med. attendance, co. poor, Pembroke,	264.25
O. H. Fitz, aid to Mrs. J. Colby,	26.00
F. P. Holt, aid to Albert Mason,	2.00
Foote Morse, aid to Geo. C. Lord,	23.08
J. H. Sanborn, med. attendance, county poor Franklin,	50.00
Darius Philbrick, carrying paupers from asylum to farm,	6.00
Town of Springfield, aid to Nelson Young,	52.28
J. M. Collins, aid to Ann Collins,	26.00
Sawyer Hoit, aid to Gunn family,	56.00
Esther A. Shattuck, aid to Gardner Knowles,	19.50
Dorcas C. Wilder, aid to William Jackson,	6.00
J. R. Kimball, med. attendance, co. poor, Allenstown,	174.60
J. C. Linehan, aid to Hannah Clancy,	19.50
State Industrial School, board and instruction, sentenced scholars,	117.00
Fred. B. Holt, groceries,	24.00
D. C. Wilder, aid to Wm. Jackson,	12.00
Geo. Partridge, aid to James Powers,	15.00
Geo. Cook, medical attendance,	2.00
Geo. Cook and others, medical attendance,	57.30
J. H. Johnson, aid to Nelson Young,	7.00
Brown & Foote, groceries,	5.12
A. H. Gove, aid to Mrs. Fellows,	39.00
J. H. Sanborn, medical services,	50.00
James M. Collins, aid to Ann Collins,	26.00
Dorcas C. Wilder, aid to Wm. Jackson,	6.00
John N. Flood, aid to Kate Wood,	18.00
Abial Rolfe, aid to transient persons,	2.50
O. H. Fitz, aid to Mrs. John Colby,	26.00
Theo. D. Little, aid to Wm. Little,	26.29
H. E. Chamberlain, aid to transient,	4.20
Johnson & Son, grain,	10.80
T. D. Little, aid,	11.15

J. P. Sanders & Son, clothing,	$8.75
Horace Holcomb, aid to Mrs. Geo. Lord,	5.00
J. C. Pearson, aid to sundry persons,	46.22
Geo. H. Ellenwood, aid to Charles L. (a waif,)	9.75
Esther A. Shattuck, aid to Gardner Knowles,	19.50
J. P. Bancroft, insane asylum,	1024.28
State Industrial School, board and instruction,	117.00
A. C. Alexander, aid to Underhill,	37.00
Dorcas Wilder, aid to Wm. Jackson,	6.00
J. H. Sanborn, medical services,	50.00
J. C. Linehan, for St. Patrick's Orphanage, aid to Hannah Clancy,	19.50
Geo. Partridge, aid to James Powers,	12.00
Brown & Foote, aid to Mrs. Geo. Lord and C. Davis,	10.25
John H. Flood, aid to Kate Woods,	18.00
O. H. Fitz, aid to Mrs. John Colby,	26.00
T. D. Little, aid to Wm. Little,	26.29
W. H. Nelson, clothing,	6.12
J. J. Dearborn, medical attendance in Salisbury,	45.00
Geo. D. Theobald, aid to Geo. Ash,	7.00
Sawyer Hoit, aid to Gunn family,	84.00
A. C. Alexander, medical attendance on Mrs. Lord,	5.60
Daniel B. Donovan, aid to John Payne and wife,	12.00
Esther A. Shattuck, aid to G. Knowles,	19.50
St. Patrick's Orphanage, aid to Hannah Clancy,	19.50
M. G. Buxton, Davis boy care, sent to Ind. School,	5.00
C. M. Boyce, services,	11.95
State Industrial School, board and instruction,	111.86
J. Bassett, aid to Louisa Bassett,	3.00
Dorcas Wilder, aid to Wm. Jackson,	13.50
Concord Hospital Association, aid to Mr. Wilcox,	19.29
James M. Collins, aid to Ann Collins,	26.00
D. B. Donovan, aid to John Payne and wife,	6.00
John C. Pearson, aid to transients, Mrs. Bean and family,	22.90
Dorcas Wilder, aid to Wm. Jackson,	6.00
W. H. Allen, aid to Mrs. Bean,	4.45
A. H. Gove, aid to Mrs. Fellows,	39.00

N. T. Clark, medical attendance, Loudon,		$55.00
J. Wesley Bean, aid to Minnie Foss,		62.00
Hiram Fellows, aid to Mrs. Fellows,		19.50
Joseph Bassett, aid to Louisa Bassett,		3.00
Foote & Morse, aid to sundry persons,		10.35
City of Concord, aid to sundry persons,		2,190.71
Town of Epsom,	"	684.83
Newport,	"	20.50
Hill,	"	633.87
Webster,	"	54.50
Pembroke,	"	2,985.47
Warner,	"	659.27
Wilmot,	"	599.26
Loudon,	"	206.08
Sutton,	"	736.08
Salisbury,	"	242.51
Canterbury,	"	229.37
Pittsfield,	"	576.30
Enfield,	"	78.00
Franklin,	"	1,914.21
Northfield,	"	348.84
New London,	"	166.59
Newbury,	"	305.43
Hooksett,	"	532.51
"	"	74.16
Hopkinton,	"	393.04
Henniker,	"	28.00
"	"	849.62
Dunbarton,	"	307.55
Danbury,	"	239.77
Chichester,	"	296.08
Bradford,	"	654.59
Andover,	"	422.12
Allenstown,	"	985.44
Bow,	"	198.59
Boscawen,	"	137.93
J. P. Sanders & Son, clothing for sundry persons,		23.50
Fred. B. Holt, aid to John Crowther,		7.50

Dr. J. B. Raynes, medical attendance, Bradford,	$5.00
" " " Sutton,	100.00
Brown & Foote, aid to sundry persons,	15.81
Gordon Burleigh, aid to sundry persons,	19.10
John H. Flood, aid to Kate Woods,	18.00
Town of Pembroke, aid to sundry persons,	48.00
D. B. Donovan, aid to John Payne and wife,	6.00
Town of Bradford, aid to sundry persons,	52.20
Town of Bradford, cash paid to Dr. J. B. Raynes, medical attendance,	60.00
Joseph Bassett, aid to Louisa Bassett,	6.00
James B. Tennant, aid to Geo. Gardner,	42.10
T. D. Little, aid to W. C. Little,	25.71
O. H. Fitz, aid to Mrs. John Colby,	26.00
John K. Putney, aid to Hosmer child,	24.00
Geo. Partridge, aid to James Powers,	31.00
Shaw, Jackson & Ahern, aid to Wm. Jackson, coat,	6.00
James Collins, aid to Ann Collins,	26.00
Dr. J. H. Rix, medical attendance, Warner,	100 00
J. P. Bancroft, treasurer, support of county inmates,	984.35
Esther A. Shattuck, aid to Gardner Knowles,	19.50
State Industrial School, board and instruction,	136.50
C. H. Fowler, aid to John Crowther,	10.00
W. D. Hardy, attorney, Dr. Gould, med. attendance,	157.50
Dorcas Wilder, aid to Wm. Jackson,	12.00
	$23,168.95

COURT EXPENSES.

Thos. W. Sargent juror,	$6.40
Lewis H. Dearborn, juror,	6.16
John W. Bohonan, juror,	6.40
Herman F. Badger, juror,	8.80
Wm. G. Hoyt,	5.72
Pay-roll, petit jurors, April term, 1884,	301.72
Pay-roll, petit jurors, April term, 1884,	136.20
State *v.* Wm. Eddy, and Arthur W. Hooper,	10.16
R. M. Davis, juror,	3.44
G. W. Allen, juror,	3.32

Arthur A. Graves, juror,	$2.96
Eagle Hotel,	358.75
W. H. Putnam, juror,	3.44
State *v.* Geo. Davis and Geo. Hosmer,	37.71
" Fred E. White and Edward E. Clinton,	56.01
" Timothy Desmond,	23.08
" Melissa Corey,	12.93
" Jeremiah Shea,	14.28
" Henry Buzzell,	19.69
" Chas. Abbott,	41.92
" John Stewart,	52.49
" Frank G. Mason,	13.38
" " "	18.62
" " "	13.62
" " "	17.13
" " "	12.08
" " "	17.91
" Win. J. Wentworth,	42.00
" Bartholomew Kerwin,	33.01
" Lewis Delmont and H. Edmunds,	2.09
" Harold L. Mason,	347.36
" " "	215.00
" " "	469.24
" John Noyes,	54.80
" Joseph Carroll,	15.45
" Geo. Davis and Geo. Hosmer,	10.69
" G. E. Hosmer, M. Hosmer and F. Melvin,	10.65
" G. E. Hosmer and Geo. Davis,	10.45
Pay-roll, petit jurors, April term, 1884,	101.04
A. C. Clark,	4.40
R. P. Sanborn,	35.00
State *v.* Willard Ordway,	2.21
Clinton Blake, juror,	3.20
State *v.* Frank Libbey and Eugene Libbey,	6.10
Wm. M. Cate, juror,	3.44
State *v.* Jacob Hawkins,	17.97
Pay-roll, jurors, April term, 1884,	326.24
State *v.* Sir Moses D. Perkins,	73.37

State *v.* Frank G. Mason,	$1.25
" Harrold L. Mason,	215.00
H. H. Gerrish, juror,	5.56
W. G. Mason, juror,	10.12
Walter S. Davis, juror,	24.64
Dustin W. Waldron, juror,	18.24
N. S. Drake, juror,	3.80
Nathaniel D. Clough, juror,	39.60
John Graves,	34.48
State *v.* M. Hosmer, F. Melvin, and Geo. Davis,	10.69
Pay roll grand jurors, Oct. term 1884,	175.80
Stephen Messer, juror,	12.80
Wm. Tasker, juror,	5.00
Julius P. Hale, juror,	30.08
Albert Hardy, juror,	32.84
Clarence W. Whitcher, juror,	53.00
Wm. Howe, juror,	54.32
Moses M. Emery, juror,	51.32
R. P. Sanborn,	105.00
Chas. S. Taylor, juror,	52.92
R. P. Sanborn,	84.28
State *v.* Luman D. Marston,	15.91
Pay roll petit jurors, Oct. term 1884,	404.24
" " " " "	1,068.68
State *v.* John H. Fagin,	16.66
" Wm. Whitehead,	19.81
" Chas. A. Bean,	20.01
" Frank H. Bean,	18.66
" Michael Murphy, Frank Morrill, L. Morrill,	54.02
" James McLear,	54.22
" Pay roll petit jurors April term, 1884,	55.32
Wm. K. Norton,	436.00
Converse J. Smith, juror,	28.24
Frank D. Abbott, juror,	18.24
Leonard Gerrish, juror,	32.79
J. C. Eastman, juror,	3.20
Samuel Quimby, juror,	35.84
Robert Hall, juror,	33.20

A. M. Drake, juror,	$34.40
John C. Smith, juror,	26.16
Horace H. Parker, juror,	28.40
Edw. S. Edmunds, juror,	36.80
Richard Calley, juror,	5.00
Ezra S. Harris, juror,	2.84
Leander W. Cogswell, juror,	34.80
Chas. H. Marshall, juror,	32.48
Frank L. Sanders, juror,	30.12
Orrin A. Emerson, juror,	38.00
State *v.* Henry C. Gale, juror,	12.02
S. D. Robinson, juror,	30.60
Samuel H. Potter, juror,	2.84
Albert Stevens, juror,	30.36
Chas. W. Stone, juror,	33.24
Thos. Stuart, juror,	16.12
State *v.* Origen P. Sargent,	10.00
" Milton C. Morey,	42.69
" Henry Keniston,	45.81
Geo. W. Stone, one-half fine in state *v.* J. H. Eaton,	25.00
J. Q. A. Prescott, juror,	5.00
Pay roll grand jurors April term, 1885,	2.84
" " " " "	104.64
" petit " " "	9.04
State *v.* Chas. H. H.	16.95
" James Eaton,	30.07
" Sir Moses D. Perkins,	50.28
" " " "	8.16
State *v.* Frank Prescott,	35.14
" Wm. Pitts,	45.10
" Chas. Hendricks,	24.00
" Rose Dailey,	31.94
" Rose Scott,	23.45
" Michael J. Storin,	16.32
" Alice Scott,	48.23
" Thos. D. Carroll,	5.36
" " "	25.73
	$7,323.71

REFEREE'S FEES.

W. L. Foster,	$86.41
A. J. Shurtleff,	15.00
E. A. Hibbard,	25.00
J. M. Shirley,	18.10
G. A. Ramsdell,	63.75
E. H. Woodman,	10.00
Wm. M. Chase,	13.95
N. E. Martin,	23.20
	$255.41

BONDS PAID.

Bond No. 33,	due Oct.	1,	1884,	Loan Oct.	1, 1870,	$500.00
34	"	"	"	"	"	500.00
14	"	"	"	"	"	1,000.00
99	"	"	"	"	1871,	500.00
96	"	"	"	"	"	1,000.00
98	"	"	"	"	"	1,000.00
97	"	"	"	"	"	500.00
						$5,000.00

INTEREST PAID.

Coupons,	$75.00
"	15.00
"	3,136.50
"	202.50
"	96.00
"	957.50
	$4,482.50

JAIL EXPENSES.

F. C. Hardy, dry goods,	$6.77
Concord Water-Works, long pond water,	20.00
John Kimball, assignee, wood,	24.00
C. H. Martin & Co., drugs and medicines,	14.00
W. P. Underhill, drugs and medicines,	9.57
Richardson & Adams, clothing,	13.00
J. M. Stewart & Sons, house furnishings,	40.08

Robertson, Rowell & Co., coal,	$278.50
W. A. Thompson, boots and shoes,	8.15
Geo. C. Goodhue, plumbing,	3.84
C. H. Norton, wood,	48.50
E. O. Nudd, charcoal,	2.24
Geo. G. Jenness, charcoal,	2.24
Lincoln & Shaw, clothing,	34.50
J. H. Gallinger, med. attend. year ending May 31, 1884,	100.00
Robertson, Rowell & Co., coal and wood,	101.25
Concord Gas-Light Co.,	11.66
W. K. Norton, board and key fees,	709.75
Stevens & Duncklee, stoves &c.,	103.76
C. G. Blanchard, dry goods,	1.54
Amos Blanchard, groceries,	9.05
N. E. Telephone Co.,	18.00
Richardson & Adams, clothing,	6.25
Walker Pratt Mf'g. Co., range,	62.00
E. W. Willard & Co., dry goods,	10.66
W. K. Norton, board and key fees,	764.50
Thompson & Bethune, hardware,	1.73
City Concord Water-Works,	20.00
Concord Gas-Light Co.,	12.76
W. K. Norton, on accouut of board and key fees,	300.00
J. H. Gallinger, medical attendance on prisoners,	50.00
W. P. Underhill & Co., medicines,	1.61
Robertson, Rowell & Co., coal,	68.35
J. A. Dadmun, repairs,	10.00
E. B. Hutchinson, repairs,	505.51
E. O. Nudd, charcoal,	3.65
W. P. Underhill & Co., drugs,	7.75
N. E. Telephone Co.,	18.00
W. A. Thompson, boots and shoes,	24.00
W. P. Underhill & Co., drugs,	1.15
C. H. Martin & Co., paints and oil,	7.63
Shaw, Jackson & Ahern, clothing,	22.76
W. K. Norton, on account of board and key fees,	355.25
Concord Gas-Light Co.,	25.30
E. C. Fisher, repairs on locks,	5.80

Staniels, Allison & Co., insurance,	$12.50
Underhill & Kittredge, drugs,	.30
W. K. Norton, board and key fees,	506.25
J. M. Stewart & Sons, house furnishing goods,	40.26
N. A. Copeland, tree protectors,	4.80
F. C. Hardy, dry goods,	23.62
	$4,432.79

COURT HOUSE AND COUNTY OFFICES.

G. H. H. Silsby, stationery and printing,	188.47
Crawford & Stockbridge, stationery and printing,	21.50
R. P. Sanborn, services,	46.55
Evans & Sleeper, stationery and printing,	15.50
J. A. Dadmun, stove and pipe,	9.00
R. P. Sanborn, services,	37.50
Rep. Press Association, printing,	10.50
J. P. Nutter, postage,	11.47
W. J. Fernald, repairing furniture,—register of probate office,	6.50
Geo. Abbott, repairs,—register of deeds office,	51.38
R. P. Sanborn, services,	54.45
N. G. Carr, clock—register of deeds office,	39.00
J. Moore & Sons, hardware,	16.50
Robertson, Rowell & Co., coal,	140.00
Concord Gas-Light Co.,	2.64
J. L. Pickering, desk for clerk of court,	7.00
N. E. Telephone Co.,	36.00
Geo. Goodhue, plumbing,	3.00
A. R. Ayer, house furnishing goods,	15.69
City of Concord, stone posts,	12.00
Wm. K. Norton, carrying prisoners, and officers' attendance, April term,	382.67
Concord Post Office, postage, 1884,	4.00
L. H. Carroll, postage,	20.75
W. K. Norton, salary,	125.00
Rep. Press Association, printing, clerk of court,	176.75
W. A. Stone, jr., copying treasurer's report,	10.00
J. B. Sanborn, stationery,	20.61
Lucy H. Kimball, copying,	16.00

City of Concord, stone hitching posts,	$20.07
E. B. Hutchinson, repairs—register deeds office,	27.16
R. P. Sanborn, services,	61.00
E. H. Woodman, mayor, bal. on stone posts,	8.94
Concord Post Office, postage,	20.08
G. H. H. Silsby & Son, stationery,	176.55
Concord Gas-Light Co.,	2.20
City of Concord, paving,	3.50
Geo. L Theobald, sawdust, court room—Mason trial,	5.00
Geo. P. Little, stationery,	10.00
Concord Post.Office, postage,	19.40
E. C. Eastman, stationery,	28.81
James Moore & Sons, locks,	2.00
Robertson, Rowell & Co,, wood,	6.90
John P. Nutter, postage,	17.25
J. B. Sanborn, services,	18.40
W. J. Fernald, chair, and repairing furniture,	10.00
Geo. Goodhue, plumbing,	1.25
A. R. Ayers, pitcher, lamp, &c.—register of deeds,	1.50
N. E. Telephone Co.,	18.00
Frank J. Batchelder, printing, register of deeds,	3.00
N. E. Telephone Co.,	18.00
W. K. Norton, salary,	125.00
Edward G. Leach, salary,	200.00
L. H. Carroll, P. M., postage,	5.00
L. W. Bean, mason work, register of deeds office,	11.82
Rep. Press Ass'n, printing,	8.25
Concord Gas-Light Company,	10.12
Frank N. George, stove pipe,	4.50
E. C. Eastman, blank book,	5.00
Rep. Press Ass'n, printing bill heads,	5.75
J. F. Scott, labor and material, clerk's office,	19.91
Crawford & Stockbridge, record books, &c.,	50.60
C. H. Ordway, " "	33.00
R. P. Sanborn, services,	62.40
G. H. H. Silsby & Son, stationery and printing,	155.85
Humphrey, Dodge & Smith, hardware,	85
	$2,657.49

INDEXING.

C. H. Ordway,—completed,	$47.50

SALARIES AND EXPENSES OF COUNTY OFFICERS.

Chas. R. Corning, services as auditor,	$20.00
J. B. Tennant, services, expenses &c.,	192.40
J. C. Pearson, " " "	195.49
Gordon Burleigh, " " "	199.80
Edw. G. Leach, salary as solicitor,	200.00
J. C. Pearson, services, expenses, &c.,	154.94
Gordon Burleigh, " " "	185.70
J. B. Tennant, " " "	152.30
Geo. P. Little, salary as treasurer,	300.00
J. B. Tennant, services, expenses, &c.,	148.59
Gordon Burleigh, " " "	170.70
J. C. Pearson, " " "	161.74
Gordon Burleigh, " " "	188.30
J. B. Tennant, " " "	212.90
	$2,482.86

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

W. K. Norton, horse car for jurors, Mason trial,	$6.18
M. F. Bickford, horse hire,	4.00
Rep. Press Association, printing Co. Reports,	166.00
Samuel F. Danforth, office fees,	12.50
John Chadwick, use of telephone,	.60
C. C. Kenrick, horse hire,	5.00
Henry Robinson, legal fees, by order of solicitor,	15.00
L. S. Morrill, " " " "	5.00
Shirley & Stone, " " " "	20.00
C. G. Hawthorn, " " " "	12.00
Edw. A. Lane, " " " "	20.00
Staniels, Allison & Co., insurance on county buildings,	27.49
Staniels, Allison & Co., insurance on county buildings,	119.46
W. G. Buxton, " " "	27.70
L. Jackman & Co., " " "	32.50

A. P. Davis, legal fees by order of solicitor,	$30.00
A. F. Burbank, " " " "	19.53
Morrill & Danforth, insurance on county buildings,	70.00
	$592.96

SUMMARY.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from report, May 1, 1884,	$11,849.37	
County taxes,	60,000.00	
Farm,	968.72	
Fines,	675.92	
Miscellaneous,	140.75	
		$73,634.76

EXPENDITURES.

Farm,	$12,133.66	
Paupers away from farm,	23,168.95	
Court,	7,323.71	
Referees' fees,	255.41	
Bonds matured,	5,000.00	
Interest,	4,482.50	
Jail,	4,432.79	
Court-house and county offices,	2,657.49	
Services and expenses of county officers,	2,482.86	
Indexing,	47.50	
Miscellaneous,	592.96	
		$62,577.83

Total receipts,	$73,634.76
Total expenditures,	62,577.83
Balance in hands of treasurer,	$11,056.93

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE P. LITTLE,
County Treasurer.

Concord, May 1, 1885.

MERRIMACK SS.

We, the undersigned, hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts of George P. Little, county treasurer, and find the same correctly cast and duly vouched.

GORDON BURLEIGH,
J. C. PEARSON,
J. B. TENNANT,
County Commissioners.

CHARLES R. CORNING,
R. C. CARR,
Auditors.

STANDING OF THE COUNTY, MAY 1, 1885.

LIABILITIES.

County Bonds, issued Oct. 1, 1876.

Payable Oct. 1, 1885,	$5,000.00	
1886,	5,000.00	
1887,	5,000.00	
1888,	5,000.00	
1889,	5,000.00	
1890,	5,000.00	
1891,	5,000.00	
1892,	2,000.00	
		$37,000.00

County Bonds, issued Oct. 1, 1878.

Payable Oct. 1, 1888,	$1,000.00	
1889,	1,000.00	
1890,	1,000.00	
1891,	1,000.00	
1892,	4,000.00	
1893,	6,000.00	
1894,	6,000.00	
1895,	6,000.00	
1896,	6,000.00	
1897,	6,000.00	
1898,	6,000.00	
		$44,000.00
Total outstanding bonds,		$81,000.00

ASSETS.

Cash balance in treasury, May 1, 1885,	$11,056.93
Note receivable,	50.00

GEO. P. LITTLE,
County Treasurer.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the Commissioners of Merrimack County:

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith submit the report of Merrimack County Farm, from May 1, 1884, to May 1, 1885:

Whole number of inmates, May 1, 1884,	95
Whole number aided at farm, from May 1, 1884, to May 1, 1885,	145
Whole number discharged during the year,	41
Number of deaths,	9
Whole number admitted,	50
Whole number at farm, May 1, 1885,	95
Average number for the year,	95+
Whole number of weeks' board provided,	4937

Actual farm expense for support of inmates from May 1, 1884, to May 1, 1885, including wood burned, $10,645.94.

Actual cost of support of each inmate, $2.15 1-2 per week.

LIST OF PAUPERS

Supported at county farm from May 1, 1884, to May 1, 1885, with the names, ages, and towns from which sent; also the number of weeks and days each was supported.

		Age.	Weeks.	Days.
Arlin, William, Franklin,		74	52	1
Austin, Jeremiah, Northfield,	dead.	84	21	5
Ash, Joseph, Franklin,	discharged.	12	4	6
Atwood, Frank, Concord,	discharged.	24	4	
Boyden, Wyatt, Webster,		50	52	1
Blake, Forrest A., Wilmot,		8	52	1
Bennett, Eliza, Sandown,		66	52	1
Bennett, Charles, Wilmot,		25	52	1
Bean, Jerry S., Concord,	dead.	43	36	
Brown, Caroline, Warner,		79	52	1

Brown, Lavina, Bow,		79	52	1
Brooks, Delia, Pembroke,		64	52	1
Burnham, Mary P., Concord,		77	52	1
Bailey, Caroline, Concord,		47	52	1
Bingham, Nellie, Newbury,		16	52	1
Batchelder, Orvilla, Concord,		77	52	1
Beerson, Charles, Concord,	discharged.	47	2	4
Bennett, Abbie, Northfield,		66	52	1
Bean, Charles A., Concord,	discharged.	36	1	1
Brown, Dollie, Franklin,		82	6	
Connor, David, Boscawen,		71	52	1
Cromwell, William, Hopkinton,		72	52	1
Chesley, Myron, Wilmot,		24	52	1
Carter, Maria, Boscawen,		62	52	1
Clancy, Margaret, Concord,	discharged.	66	21	
Cochran, George, Concord,		12	52	1
Chesley, Nathan, Canterbury,		87	52	1
Came, Thomas, Concord,		56	38	1
Chamberlain, Martha, asylum,			42	1
Callahan, John, Concord,	discharged.	28	8	
Caldin, Mary, Suncook,	discharged.	38	2	1
Drought, Mary, Allenstown,	discharged.	38	8	1
Drought, Annie, Allenstown,	discharged.	13	8	1
Drought, Fannie, Allenstown,	discharged.	10	8	1
Drought, Willie, Allenstown,	discharged.	7	8	1
Doners, Frank, Allenstown,	discharged.	12	3	4
Drew, James N., Concord,		73	24	2
Everett, John, Concord,		55	52	1
Eastman, Ephraim, Concord,	dead.	97	51	3
Elliott, Sarah M., Pembroke,		68	52	1
English, Mary, Pembroke,	discharged.	18	24	1
Flanders, Ezra, Boscawen,		78	52	1
Fisher, George, asylum,		36	52	1
Fisk, Edward, Concord,		54	52	1
Frost, Mary P., Franklin,			52	1
Fellows, Belle, Newbury,	discharged.	24		2
Fitch, George, Concord,	dead.	36		2
Foster, Ruth, Warner,		79	44	

Flanders, Charles, Franklin,		5	3	
Gannon, Patrick, Concord,	dead.	82	12	5
Gebbins, Bridgett, asylum,			52	1
Gould, Abigail, Salisbury,		88	52	1
Gerry, Ellen, Concord,		68	52	1
Giles, Susan I., Concord,	discharged.	50		2
Gardner, George, Pembroke,	discharged.	43	24	2
Govering, George M., Franklin		3	48	
German, Henry, Pembroke,	dead.	64	9	4
Glines, George, Northfield,		54	13	
Gienty, John, Franklin,		21	5	3
Heath, Eddie, Boscawen,		12	52	1
Hopkins, Isaac, Pembroke,		58	52	1
Hoyt, Francis F., Concord,	dead.	59	15	2
Holton, Clara, Franklin,		15	52	1
Heath, Mary, Sutton,		32	52	1
Hoyt, Mary, Concord,		25	52	1
Hoyt, Charles, Concord,		5	52	1
Holland, Harriet, Hopkinton,		84	52	1
Holehouse, Edward, Pembroke,		8	52	1
Holehouse, William, Pembroke,		8	52	1
Hosmer, Warren W., Sutton,		3	52	1
Hubbard, Sebastian, Hopkinton,	discharged,	76	13	5
Haynes, Reuben, Concord,	dead.	81	8	4
Holehouse, John, Pembroke,	discharged.	12	17	4
Harriman, Philena, Hill,		84	23	3
Hill, Hiram, Northfield,	discharged.	80	1	5
Jackman, Rosilla, Northfield,	dead.	77	29	5
Jackson, Joseph, Hooksett,		66	51	1
Johnson, William, Suncook,		46	1	
Kimball, Jeannette, Hopkinton,		76	52	1
Keniston, George, Wilmot,	discharged.	26	8	5
Kelley, Samuel, Dunbarton,		71	33	2
Keenan, James, Boscawen,	discharged.	46	1	1
Lovering, John, Sandown,		17	52	1
Littlefield, Mary, Pittsfield,		34	52	1
Leslie, Salomie, Henniker,		76	52	1
Livingston, Frank, Henniker,		52	52	1

Littlefield, Sarah, Pittsfield,	discharged.	11	28	
Lettare, Gaspus, Concord,	discharged.	57	2	6
Lovering, Daniel, Sandown,	discharged.	19	6	6
Lovering, Charles, Sandown,	discharged.	13	4	1
Littlefield, Arthur M., Boscawen,		7	10	
Langley, Joseph, Suncook,	discharged.	54	1	2
Larandrea, Louise, Suncook,	discharged.	37	5	2
Morrill, Harper, Concord,		48	52	1
Mason, Joseph, Chichester,		76	52	1
Moore, James,		84	52	1
McCurley, Bridget, asylum,			52	1
McCoy, Abbie, Bow,		83	52	1
Morrison, Amanda, Wilmot,		31	52	1
Much, Nancy, Concord,			52	1
Martin, Sarah, Wilmot,		69	52	1
Morgan, Lillian, Warner,	discharged.	34	9	6
Mahagan, Mary, Franklin,		71	52	1
Mosley, Betsey, Newbury,			52	1
Morgan, Eliphalet R., Bow,		69	28	1
Ober, Jemima, Hopkinton,		78	52	1
Ordway, Moses, Dunbarton,	discharged.	46	5	3
Oclair, Jennie, Franklin,		10	6	
Ordway, Martha, Dunbarton,	discharged.			2
Payne, John, Concord,	discharged.	59	29	3
Payne, Mary I., Concord,	discharged.	50		2
Payne, Mary, Concord,	discharged.	10		2
Page, William, Bradford,		54	52	1
Patterson, Jane, asylum,			52	1
Pettengill, Woodbury, Pittsfield,		76	52	1
Powell, Georgie, Concord,		16	52	1
Pearson, Ellen, Salisbury,		33	52	1
Pearsoo, Charles F., Boscawen,		6	52	1
Roby, Charlotte, Chichester,		66	52	1
Ralph, Pat, asylum,			52	1
Reynow, Esther, Concord,			52	1
Rille, Uzel, Concord,		59	52	1
Sullivan, Jerry, asylum,			52	1
Sargent, Jane, Concord,		54	52	1

Slocomb, Annie, Hopkinton,		26	25	1
Somers, Ellen, asylum,			42	1
Spillan, Mary, Franklin,	discharged.	25	32	6
Spillan, Mary E., Boscawen,	discharged.	5 mo's	21	3
Toomey, Julia, asylum,		48	52	1
Tilton, Hitty, Andover,		81	52	1
Towns, Hannah, Pembroke,		64	52	1
Tenney, Susan E,. East Concord,		43	52	1
Thorn, Annie, Franklin,		48	5	3
Wade, Thomas, Pembroke,		71	52	1
Walker, Martha, Bow,		44	52	1
Ward, Alvin, Warner,		61	52	1
Wells, Eliza, Concord,		35	52	1
Whitcher, Sally A., Franklin,	discharged.	8	6	
Whitcher, Ira T., Franklin,	discharged.	6	6	
Whitcher, Mary A., Franklin,	discharged.	5	6	
Wentworth, A. I., Salisbury,	discharged.	56		5
Webber, Sarah A., Northfield,	discharged.	30	9	2
Webber, Frank H., Northfield,	discharged.	4	9	2
Whittier, Samuel A., Andover,		62	3	3
Young, Nelson, Concord,		78	52	1

RECEIPTS AT COUNTY FARM.

1884.

May	1.	Received of J. K. Putney, 2 pigs,	$6.00
		F. H. Heald, 2 pigs,	6.00
		Richard Pervear, 190 laths,	.50
		A. A. Harris, 2 pigs,	6.00
	5.	Davis & Sargent, wood,	2.00
		Davis & Sargent, beef,	1.50
	7.	Samuel Choate, 3 pigs,	9.00
	12.	Samuel Chadwick, 1 calf,	5.00
		Geo. H. Johnson, keeping drover,	2.00
		Samuel Chadwick, calves,	10.00
		Fred Gilman, 1 bushel potatoes,	.50
	19.	A. Remick, drover,	2.50
	21.	Sarah Glines, 1 pig,	4.00
	29.	A. D. Cram, 1 pig,	3.00

June	1.	Faith Virgin, 2 pigs,	$10.00
	4.	Estate of Reuben Chase, for board,	21.69
	5.	Mr. Morse, 1 pig,	5.00
	7.	Samuel Chadwick, 1 calf,	5.00
		F. L. Sweatland, 1 qt. oil,	.20
	25.	C. D. Battis, 1 pig,	5.00
		" " 1 bag meal,	1.35
		" " one-half cord of wood,	2.00
		" " one-half bush. potatoes,	.25
	25.	Leonard Colby, 1 pig,	5.00
	26.	William Simonds, 1 pig,	5.00
		Tamar Sargent, 2 pigs,	7.00
		F. P. Fowler, 1 pig,	5.00
	27.	A. H. Brown, 4 pigs a 2.50,	10.00
		W. H. Perry, moving goods,	1.25
	28.	Minnie Bingham, dry goods,	1.25
		L. S. Roberts, dry goods,	1.98
		A. B. Chute, dry goods,	2.38
July	7.	Strangers, dinners and carrying to Penacook,	2.00
	15.	James W. Adams, dinners,	.50
	23.	Hollis Towns, labor on highway,	8.00
	26.	Richard Pervear, pasturing oxen 1883,	10.00
	30.	Moody & Morrill, calf skins.	5.50
		W. B. Cunningham, beets,	1.00
	31.	G. H. Johnson, drover,	1.25
Aug.	6.	Lang Couch, 1 pig,	8.00
	8.	G. H. Johnson, dinner,	.50
	20.	Geo. Brown, dinners,	.25
		Strangers, dinners,	.50
	28.	G. H. Johnson, drover,	1.25
Sept.	6.	G. Whitney, rags,	8.58
	9.	C. J. Chadwick, cash,	.75
	19.	Henry A. Cole, 1 pt. alcohol,	.50
	26.	W. B. Cunningham, garden produce,	6.50
		C. D. Battis, 2 quarts beans,	.20
Oct.	3.	Gordon Burleigh, 1 cow,	25.00
	6.	E. P. Cate, cash,	.50

Oct.	6.	Charles Smith, 3 barrels,	$ .50
		F. S. Dodge, garden produce,	10.29
	18.	Geo. Wooster, 1 pig,	2.50
	21.	Geo. H. Johnson, drover,	2.00
	22.	C. D. Battis, meal,	1.35
	23.	Fred Fifield, 2 pigs a $2,	4.00
	25.	James N. Mathews, 5 pigs,	9.00
	27.	A. J. Taylor, 1 pig,	3.00
	28.	H. C. Titus, lodging and horse feed,	2.00
	29.	Chas. Flury, dinner and horse feed,	1.00
	30.	Thomas Woodstock, lodging,	.50
	31.	E. R. Colby, 14 barrels,	2.16
Nov.	3.	Edwin Pervear, window sash,	1.25
	5.	Calvin W. Simonds, granite,	.50
	5.	Calvin W. Simonds, 1 bag of meal,	1.30
	7.	Geo. P. Titcomb, 25 barrels,	4.00
	8.	Francis Fisk, 1 cow,	25.00
	8.	Francis Fisk, 9 pigs,	15.50
	10.	I. Temer, dinner,	.25
	10.	E. P. Cate, dry cask,	.25
	14.	Wm. Simonds, 1-2 bushel salt,	.30
	15.	Geo. Brown, dinner,	.25
	18.	Geo. Brown, dinner and lodging,	1.00
	24.	E. E. Davis and Son, for board,	10.00
	27.	A. Hurde, horse feed,	.25
	28.	Peter Coffin, dry cask,	.75
Dec.	1.	F. P. Morse, 1 baby cradle,	1.50
	2.	David Morrill, 1 cow,	25.00
	6.	John Lakin, 1 pig,	1.00
	9.	N. A. Hodge, 1 pig,	2.50
	10.	Samuel Choate, 2 pigs,	5.00
	19.	Page Belting Co., 1 calf skin,	1.15
	19.	Page Belting Co., 3 cow hides,	15.34
	26.	Myron Ray, blanket,	1.25
	26.	Edward Lougee, 5 yds. sheeting,	.35
	26.	C. J. Chadwick, 10 lbs. beef,	1.00
	26.	C. J. Chadwick, 1 dry cask,	.75
Jan.	13.	Hugh Tallant, 4 calves,	17.50

Feb. 13.	Daniel Smith, 4 cow hides, 1 calf skin,	$15.24
25.	C. A. Colby, lodging and horse feed,	1.50
26.	Chas. Ray, 1 peck seed corn,	.25
Mar. 8.	Morrill Moore, seed corn,	.50
13.	Daniel Smith, 1 cow hide,	3.60
14.	C. D. Bates, 4 pigs,	3.00
18.	Ariel Rollins, 3 pigs,	10.00
18.	Ariel Rollins, seed corn,	.25
21.	A. H. Brown, 2 pigs,	7.50
21.	Hugh Tallant, 4 calves,	20.00
26.	J. H. Rowell, old iron,	13.70
30.	C. I. Ellsworth, pasturing heifer,	3.00
31.	C. D. Battis, 1 pig,	4.00
Apr. 9.	J. H. Putney, 4 bush. rye,	3.60
9.	Lewis Colby, pasturing oxen,	10.00
9.	E. R. Marston, 1 cord of wood,	3.50
9.	E. R. Marston, 12 lbs. ham,	1.32
25.	J. M. Sawyer, 10 gal. oil,	1.00
25.	E. W. Durgin, 1 pig,	5.00
28.	Geo. Sleeper, rags,	7.50
	W. B. Cunningham, beef,	80.31
	W. B. Cunningham, 202 lbs. ham,	24.24
29.	W. B. Cunningham, 345 lbs. beef,	31.05
	W. B. Cunningham, 2 cow-hides,	8.60
	W. B. Cunningham, 1 calf,	8.10
30.	Calvin W. Simonds, pasturing cow,	5.00
	T. L. Fowler, 2 pigs,	7.00
	Geo. F. Blanchard, 2 cow-hides,	7.70
	Gordon Burleigh, 1 ton phosphate,	39.00
		$724.83

DISBURSEMENTS AT COUNTY FARM.

1884.		
May 1.	Richard Pervear, eggs,	$3.62
5.	David Conner, railroad ticket,	.25
11.	Wm. Arlin, railroad ticket,	.50
	W. P. Ford & Co., 1 plow point,	1.05
	Gust Walker, 1 plow point,	1.00
12.	Mrs. Bailey, railroad ticket,	.45
	Gerrish Davis, labor,	2.50
15.	Myron W. Ray, expense to Concord,	.90
22.	S. G. Noyes, machine oil,	.10
24.	Expense to Concord,	.50
26.	Ted Reille, railroad trcket,	.25
31.	Underhill, pencil,	.25
June 9.	Expense to Concord,	.50
10.	Railroad ticket,	1.80
17.	Scribner & Blood, oil can,	.35
	Expense to Concord,	.50
	S. G. Noyes, sewing machine fixtures,	.80
21.	Frank Heath, labor,	1.00
	F. L. Sweatland, labor,	2.50
26.	Benj. S. Hancock, cabbage plants,	.50
	John N. Hill, 1 pump,	1.75
	C. W. Simonds, labor,	11.87
July 1.	Expense to Concord,	.50
	C. D. Battis, labor,	4.37
2.	O. B. Stevens, 8 bush. potatoes,	2.80
7.	N. S. Gale, carpet tacks,	.56
8.	J. S. Dutton, pillow sham holder,	1.00
10.	Geo. Hale, expense to Concord,	1.50
16.	Expense to Concord,	.50
22.	A. B. Chute, and inmates to Franklin,	7.00
25.	A. P. Fitch, toothpicks, 10, cement, 50,	.60
	Expense to Concord,	.90
30.	Geo. Silver, horse powders,	1.50
	Ted Reille, railroad ticket,	.25
Aug. 9.	Leonard Colby, potatoes,	1.40
	James Colby, potatoes,	2.40
23.	Postage stamps,	.25

Sept. 6.	Geo. Whitney, tin ware,	$8.58
	F. P. Mace, stationery,	.85
	Expense to Concord,	.50
	S. Hubbard, railroad ticket,	6.00
8.	David Conner, railroad ticket,	.25
13.	Capt. Hopkins, railroad ticket,	1.00
20.	N. Collins, labor,	1.00
24.	S. Blood, toothpicks,	.10
	T. A. Heath, 1 doz. tumblers,	.90
	Expense to Concord,	.50
	Martin, color,	.80
Oct. 1.	Expense to Concord,	.50
3.	Expense to Vermont, bringing cows,	2.80
4.	Johnson & Son, bitts,	.90
14.	Expense to Concord,	.50
	Railroad ticket, mileage,	20.00
21.	Eugene Bailey, 6 lbs. honey,	1.20
	Markey & Bateene, harness dressing,	.30
23.	W. H. Bell, repairing spectacles,	.40
	Expense to Concord,	.75
29.	F. P. Mace, pencil,	.15
	Expense to Concord,	.50
Nov. 17.	Frank Livingston, railroad ticket,	1.00
22.	Expense to Concord,	.50
	A. Knapp, cement,	.15
	S. Blood, toothpicks,	.10
	E. H. Randall, packing,	.10
	S. Noyes, machine oil and needles,	.54
23.	Expense to Concord,	.75
1885.		
Jan. 14.	Nelson Young, railroad ticket,	2.00
20.	A. P. Fitch, toothpicks,	.30
28.	F. P. Mace, indelible ink,	.25
	Expense to Concord,	.50
Feb. 9.	G. W. Sawyer, butter tubs,	.50
13.	Geo. Abbott, sawing brackets,	.15
18.	Nelson Young, railroad ticket,	.45
21.	Expense to Concord with Mr. Hill,	.45

Feb. 21.	Railroad ticket for Mr. Hill,	$ .45
Mar. 9.	Expense to Concord,	.50
	J. D. Johnson & Son,	.50
26.	J. H. Rowell, tin ware,	13.70
27.	W. P. Ford & Co., stove rack,	.65
	L. H. Carroll, postage stamps,	1.00
	Expense to Concord,	.50
Apr. 6.	Expense to Bradford,	2.60
15.	Hollis Towns, lumber,	1.25
17.	Penacook Saw Co., filing saws,	.15
	Expense to Concord,	.75
25.	I. M. Sawyer, 1 gal. syrup,	1.00
28.	G. T. Sleeper, tin ware,	7.50
		$145.34
May 1, 1885.	Cash to balance,	579.49
		$724.83

Which sum I have paid to the county treasurer, and for which I hold his receipt.

M. B. NEAL, *Superintendent.*

INVENTORY OF LIVE STOCK.

4 oxen.	$370.00
20 cows,	975.00
2 yearling heifers,	30.00
6 calves,	40.00
2 horses,	150.00
35 shotes,	269.50
5 breeding sows, 18 pigs,	165.00
1 fat hog,	25.00
1 boar,	25.00
1 pig, $5.00, 1 cow at North Water Street, $35.00,	40.00
Poultry,	7.00
	$2,096.50

FARM PRODUCE, 1884.

Corn,	700 bushels.
Oats,	128 bushels.
Potatoes,	414 bushels.
Beets,	190 bushels.
Carrots,	110 bushels.
Onions,	60 bushels.
Rye,	77 bushels.
Beans,	26 pushels.
Cucumbers,	32 bushels.
Sweet corn,	40 bushels.
Parsnips,	10 bushels.
Turnips,	57 bushels.
Butter,	1,969 pounds.
Hay,	55 tons.
Corn-fodder,	25 tons.
Straw,	8 tons.
Squashes,	2 tons.
Pumpkins,	8 tons.
Pork,	10,260 pounds.
Veal,	184 pounds.
Beef,	6,647 pounds.
Cider apples,	250 barrels.
Apples, No. 1,	44 barrels.
Cabbage,	1,000 heads.

In presenting you with my second annual report of the Merrimack County Farm and Almshouse, giving the number of inmates supported, with their names and ages, which have been under my care the past year, I would simply say there has been no prevailing sickness, and considering the advanced ages of a large majority of the inmates, the death rate is less than that of towns in the county. Perhaps the improvements that have been made in the heating apparatus has had a beneficial effect, as we have been able to maintain a uniform temperature throughout the house, in the serverest weather.

The sewerage has been a source of annoyance owing to the constant care required in properly distributing it as was intended. Although I think we are receiving but little benefit from it in the present condition, our crops were quite up to an average for the past season.

I cordially thank all who have aided me in my labors, and trust the people of the county may approve the management of the Merrimack County Farm and Almshonse.

Respectfully submitted,

M. B. NEAL, *Superintendent.*

REPORT

OF THE

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT.

To the County Commissioners:

I submit the following report of the receipts and disbursements of my office for the past year, as examined and allowed by the court:

RECEIPTS.

537 entry fees, at .90,		$485.10
10 jury fees, at $5.00,		50.00
Dockets,		63.00
Volume 45, N. H. Reports,		5.00
One-half cost of account books,		6.62
Paper,		8.20
Fines and costs, State *v.*	Keniston,	25.00
	Abbott,	28.75
	Carr,	50.00
	Stewart,	72.49
	Davis,	25.00
	Hosmer,	25.00
	Carroll,	1.00
	Morey,	31.96
	Murphy,	33.00
	Straw,	6.90
	Sinclair,	124.58
	Shepard,	66.53
	Rand,	50.00
	Rand,	65.40
	Adams,	56.96
	Marston, (9)	150.00
	Shepard,	11.10
	Shepard,	96.88

Fines and costs, State *v.* Farmer, (2)		$214.77
	Eaton,	80.07
	Thornton,	66.02
	Gale,	50.00
	Gale, (3)	150.00
	Northfield,	42.75
	Whitehead,	4.11
Total,		$2,146.19

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid telegrams, express, &c.,	$7.51
jurors,	14.40
printing cases,	31.13
attending court 92 days,	276.00
dockets,	12.75
recording and certifying judgments, and other services of myself and assistant, allowed by court,	705.07
Thorndike, complainant, one-half fines in State *v.* Sinclair, *v.* Shepard (3), Rand (2), *v.* Adams (2),	346.45
M. W. Tappan, one-half fine in State *v.* Farmer,	50.00
G. W. Stone, one-half fine in State *v.* Morey,	26.96
Total,	$1,470.27
Leaving balance due county,	$675.92

This amount I have paid to the county treasurer.

A. J. SHURTLEFF, *Clerk.*

JAILER'S REPORT.

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners for the County of Merrimack:

GENTLEMEN: I herewith submit my report from May 1, 1884, to May 1, 1885.

Number of prisoners in jail, May 1, 1884,	18
Number committed from May 1, 1884, to May 1, 1885,	115
Total,	133
Discharged,	115
Weekly average,	65-6

JAIL EXPENSES.

F. C. Hardy, dry goods,	$6.77
Concord Water-Works, long pond water,	20.00
John Kimball, assignee, wood,	24.00
C. H. Martin & Co., drugs and medicines,	14.00
W. P. Underhill, drugs and medicines,	9.57
Richardson & Adams, clothing,	13.00
J. M. Stewart & Sons, house furnishings,	40.08
Robertson, Rowell & Co., coal,	278.50
W. A. Thompson, boots and shoes,	8.15
Geo. C. Goodhue, plumbing,	3.84
C. H. Norton, wood,	48.50
E. O. Nudd, charcoal,	2.24
Geo. G. Jenness, charcoal,	2.24
Lincoln & Shaw, clothing,	34.50
J. H. Gallinger, med. attend. year ending May 31, 1884,	100.00
Robertson, Rowell & Co., coal and wood,	101.25
Concord Gas-Light Co.,	11.66
W. K. Norton, board and key fees,	709.75
Stevens & Duncklee, stoves &c.,	103.76

C. G. Blanchard, dry goods,	$1.54
Amos Blanchard, groceries,	9.05
N. E. Telephone Co.,	18.00
Richardson & Adams, clothing,	6.25
Walker Pratt Mf'g. Co., range,	62.00
E. W. Willard & Co., dry goods,	10.66
W. K. Norton, board and key fees,	764.50
Thompson & Bethune, hardware,	1.73
City Concord Water-Works,	20.00
Concord Gas-Light Co.,	12.76
W. K. Norton, on accouut of board and key fees,	300.00
J. H. Gallinger, medical attendance on prisoners,	50.00
W. P. Underhill & Co., medicines,	1.61
Robertson, Rowell & Co., coal,	68.35
J. A. Dadmun, repairs,	10.00
E. B. Hutchinson, repairs,	505.51
E. O. Nudd, charcoal,	3.65
W. P. Underhill & Co., drugs,	7.75
N. E. Telephone Co.,	18.00
W. A. Thompson, boots and shoes,	24.00
W. P. Underhill & Co., drugs,	1.15
C. H. Martin & Co., paints and oil,	7.63
Shaw, Jackson & Ahern, clothing,	22.76
W. K. Norton, on account of board and key fees,	355.25
Concord Gas-Light Co.,	25.30
E. C. Fisher, repairs on locks,	5.80
Staniels, Allison & Co., insurance,	12.50
Underhill & Kittredge, drugs,	.30
W. K. Norton, board and key fees,	506.25
J. M. Stewart & Sons, house furnishing goods,	40.26
N. A. Copeland, tree protectors,	4.80
F. C. Hardy, dry goods,	23.62
	$4,432.79

WM. K. NORTON, *Jailer.*

SHERIFF'S REPORT.

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners for the County of Merrimack:

GENTLEMEN: I herewith submit my report from May 1, 1884, to May 1, 1885.

October Term, Supreme Court, 1884.

To cash paid	Rev. Mr. Rein,	$2.00
	Wm. K. Norton, 51 days' attendance,	153.00
	B. F. Tucker, 13 days' attendance,	32.50
	B. F. Tucker, 46 days' attendance,	115.00
	E. K. Webster, 8 days' attendance,	20.00
	L. H. Adams, 22 days' attendance,	55.00
	G. H. Dimond, 3 days' attendance,	7.50
	C. P. Shepard, refreshments for jury,	51.00
		$436.00

WM. K. NORTON, *Sheriff.*

REPORT OF THE SOLICITOR.

During the past year the grand jury have found ninety-four indictments for the following offences:

Aggravated assault,	6
Simple assault,	2
Assault with intent to kill,	1
Burglary,	4
False pretences,	3
Larceny,	3
Adultery,	1
Attempt at rape,	1
Sale of liquor,	73

The liquor indictments with two or three exceptions were obtained by the Law and Order League of Concord, who conduct the cases without expense to the county, and in such a way as to be entitled to a share of the fine if successful. The indictments in these cases were drawn for the sale, and keeping for sale of intoxicating liquor, and as being common sellers of intoxicating liquors. The question is now before the Supreme Court whether the indictments are sufficient, on account of the use of the word intoxicating, instead of spirituous. The form of indictment was particularly requested by counsel for the complainants.

The other indictments have been disposed of upon pleas of *nolo contendre*, or guilty, except seven. Of these three have been continued to await the result of civil suits about the same matters. Two are waiting for respondents, who are out of the State, and not yet under arrest. One respondent is serving his time in the State Prison for a prior offence, and one is insane.

There have been seven appeals in criminal cases entered in the Supreme Court during the year. Seven for assault and

battery, and one for malicious mischief; all of which have been disposed of by pleas of guilty or otherwise, in such a manner as to satisfy the complainants, and save the county from expense.

There have been no civil actions in court the past year in which the county has been interested.

The Supreme Court decided in the liquor cases pending at the time of my last report, that an indictment for the sale of lager beer was sufficient without an allegation that it was intoxicating, and that Police Courts or Justices of the Peace had no authority to impose a fine for the sale of cider or lager beer, unless the respondent plead guilty. All cases depending on the settlement of these questions were disposed of without a trial.

EDWARD G. LEACH, *Solicitor.*

May 21, 1885.

PHYSICIAN'S REPORT.

GENTLEMEN :—The record of the year in my department is very satisfactory. There have been eight deaths only—all from chronic diseases and old age, seventy-nine years being the average age of those who have died. Births, two.

The number of cases of acute diseases has been made larger than during the preceding year from the fact of our having had an epidemic of influenza and pneumonia during the spring. No deaths were recorded however; a result largely due to the constant persevering efforts of the superintendent and his assistants. I cannot speak too highly in praise of their labors. The care received by the patients at all times is equal to that given to the sick in the best regulated hospitals, and exceeds by far the attendance given to patients in private homes many times.

In the last report, attention was called to the heating of the house. Such improvement has been gained by the changes made. The rooms and halls of the whole building have been warm and comfortable at all times, which has largely reduced the mortality among the old people in winter. In fact, the sanitary, and general condition and management of the house is first-class.

The inmates are happy and contented, and they scarcely can be otherwise, as it is indeed a good home for them.

A. C. ALEXANDER, M. D.,
Physician and Surgeon.

May 1, 1885.

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT.

To the Commissioners of Merrimack County:

GENTLEMEN:—As there has been no material change at the Almshouse during the past year, I need not be lengthy. Services have been conducted the same as heretofore, every Sunday, at eleven o'clock, A. M.

The average number who have attended service has been about seventy. Nearly one-half are foreigners, and some of them are so tenacious of their own belief that they do not like to attend Protestant worship, though they comply with the rules which require that all must attend who can consistently. There are only a few who are not able to read and write, and several have had the benefits which are derived by attending our best institutions of learning. There has been considerable reading matter gratuitously furnished by friends abroad, and it has had a good effect on the inmates as it furnishes food for the mind which is essential to moral culture.

During the hour of worship the best attention is paid, and several take part in the singing exercises.

I have the satisfaction of knowing that I have tried to do my duty faithfully and impartially, and am willing to submit the results that may grow out of it into the hands of a wise Providence, who cares especially for the poor and unfortunate in this world.

JOHN CHAMBERLAIN, *Chaplain.*

PHYSICIAN'S REPORT.

Comparatively little sickness has prevailed in the Jail during the year; the excellent sanitary arrangements, and admirable quality of the food doing much to keep the prisoners in good health. No case of epidemic or contagious disease has existed, the chief ailments being colds, coughs and rheumatic affections. One death occurred, that of John Richardson, of Lyme, a United States prisoner, from suicide. So far as I have been able to ascertain, every possible precaution is taken by the commissioners to secure good health to the inmates, while the Jailer and his assistants are ready at all times to do everything in their power for the welfare of the unfortunate men under their charge. If the prisoners could be employed at some form of manual labor they would doubtless be physically in better condition than under the existing system, but there is doubtless some good reason why they are not required to earn their bread by the sweat of their brow, but instead are a burden to the honest tax-payers of the county.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. GALLINGER, *Physician.*

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

We have carefully examined the accounts of the County Commissioners as prescribed by chapter 23, section 5, of the General Laws, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

We are of the opinion that the articles purchased by the commissioners were at a fair market price, and that they were used strictly for county purposes.

We have also carefully examined the accounts of the county treasurer, including the bonds and coupons paid, and find them correct and properly vouched.

We desire to express our thanks to the commissioners for their uniform courtesy towards us, and for their willingness in assisting us in the performance of our duties.

We earnestly commend the commissioners for their thorough appreciation of the trust imposed upon them, and especially for their intelligent and humane treatment of the many unfortunate people committed to their charge.

CHARLES R. CORNING,
ROBERT C. CARR,
Auditors of Merrimack County.

Concord, May 27, 1885.